

### FBI Special Agent Maria Fernandez

Maria Fernandez has been an FBI Special Agent for six years. In her own words, Special Agent Fernandez tells us what working for the FBI is really like.



#### On career satisfaction:

"Being a Special Agent of the FBI is, in itself, a rewarding experience. The everyday challenges of the job and variety of the work contribute to career satisfaction. Especially knowing that what I am doing may make a difference in other people's lives."

#### On her most rewarding case:

"Having worked in several different investigative areas, I would have to say that each investigation has its own distinct merits and sense of reward. Every investigation that you bring to a successful conclusion has its own unique feeling of satisfaction."

#### On doing good for the community:

"Community service and the FBI are synonymous with each other in that a Special Agent is a public servant of the community by simply doing their job. Whether making the streets a safer place to live, or speaking at a college career fair, an FBI agent has an active role in the community in which he or she lives."

# On why others should consider a career at the FBI:

"A career in the FBI is for those who enjoy the diversity and challenge of matching wits with criminal minds, ranging from the drug dealers to the international terrorists. The diversity is what makes a career with the FBI such a rewarding experience, you can have it all, as long as you enjoy meeting challenges."

**Special Agents** come from a broad range of educational disciplines and professions, however, the FBI has

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among the following areas: Computer Science or IT, Engineering, Foreign Counterintelligence, Information Systems Security, Military Intelligence, Physical Sciences, Accounting/Financial Management, and Foreign Language (Arabic, Chinese - all dialects, Farsi/Persian, Hebrew, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Pashtu, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish,

Urdu, and Vietnamese).

To qualify for the FBI Special Agent position, you must possess a fouryear college degree plus three years of professional work experience, be available for assignment anywhere in the FBI's jurisdiction, be between the ages of 23 and 36, and be in excellent physical condition with the ability to pass a rigorous physical fitness test. To learn more about these and other opportunities, please visit our Web site for complete details. Positions added daily.

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You must be a U.S. citizen and consent to a complete background investigation, drug test, and polygraph as a prerequisite for employment.

Only those candidates determined to be best qualified will be contacted to proceed in the selection process.

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